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To: Mr. Michael Powell,
Chairman, FCC

Via Fax to:

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Dear Mr. Powell:

I'm writing now to express my opposition to any further deregulation of media ownership rules by the FCC. I have read your rationales and while I understand and can appreciate your position, please allow me tell you that in my industry, which is popular music, the increasing consolidation of ownership of the airwaves has been an economic disaster. The drastic reduction in the number of independent broadcast venues for new music has choked off almost completely the platform for new products to be developed. The music industry today is a morass of "balkanization" and one of the key contributors to this is the fact that in order to find new music consumers have been forced to turn to the Internet for exposure to new music.

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One could argue that this is simply the inevitable result of an increasingly free market, but if the market were truly free, by the nature of market forces we should be seeing greater diversification, not less. Today, music consumers have fewer public choices in the market than ever before. The only venue remaining for somewhat free choice is file-sharing software.

Please consider the economic impact on not only the large entities which benefit from the freedom to consolidate, but also the economic impact on the tens of thousands of smaller entrepreneurs who's livelihood depends upon the possibility of access to being heard.

Sincerely,

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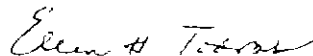
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Dear Chairman Powell

I am writing to ask you to please delay the rule change on media consolidation scheduled for Monday, and to instead allow time for democratic debate about the consequences of this dramatic change. I am also requesting that you release the actual language of the rule change before the vote takes place.

These requests are common in the democratic process.

Thank you for your consideration,



Ellen H. Todras

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